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SUBJECT: NOMINATION FOR MULTI-REGIONAL LIBRARIAN PROJECT

REF: STATE A-1218

1. POST WISHES IMPLEMENT PROPOSAL H-21 AND NOMINATES MR. A.O. BANJO,  
DEPUTY CHIEF LIBRARIAN, NIGERIAN INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS,  
LAGOS FOR SUBJECT PROJECT.

2. PART I INFO. FOLLOWS:

FULL NAME : MR. ABIMBOLA OLUGBOYEGA BANJO

PRESENT POSITION : DEPUTY CHIEF LIBRARIAN, NIGERIAN INSTITUTE  
OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, LAGOS

PAST POSITIONS : HEAD, RESEARCH LIBRARY, UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS  
LIBRARY, 1968-73:

VISITING LIBRARIAN, AFRICANA LIBRARY,  
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, EVANSTON,  
III. JAN. - JULY, 1970:

HEAD, ACQUISITIONS DEPT., UNIVERSITY OF

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LAGOS LIBRARY, 1966-68:

ASSISTANT SERIALS LIBRARIAN, UNIVERSITY OF  
LAGOS LIBRARY, 1965:

TRAINING ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN, UNIVERSITY OF  
READING, ENGLAND, JULY - AUGUST, 1964

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 7 AUG 2013]: OYO,OYO STATE

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP : NIGERIAN: NONE PREVIOUS

PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO THE US: JANUARY - JULY, 1970

PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO OTHER COUNTRIES: GHANA, OCTOBER, 1972:

DAHOMAY, DEC. 1966: FRANCE, AUG. 1963:

GREAT BRITAIN JULY 1961 - OCT. 1964(STUDIES)

PREVIOUS USG GRANT: NONE

VISA ELIGIBILITY : NAMECHECK SATISFACTORY, VISA ELIGIBLE

REASONS FOR NOMINATION: AS DEPUTY CHIEF LIBRARIAN AT THE  
PRESTIGIOUS NIGERIAN INSTITUTE OF  
INTERNATIONAL

AFFAIRS WHICH (UNDER MEA AEGIS) IS PLAYING AN INCREASINGLY  
IMPORTANT ROLE IN FMGS FOREIGN POLICY, BANJO IN KEY POSITION  
SELECT SOURCE:READING MATERIALS WHICH WILL SERVE AS NUTRIENTS  
FOR NIGERIA AS IT DEVELOPS ITS POLICY. ALTHOUGH BANJO WAS IN U.S.  
FOR 6 MONTHS IN 1970 AS VISITING LIBRARIAN AT AFRICANA LIBRARY  
(NORTHWESTERN), HIS PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS/RESPONSIBILITIES HAVE  
SINCE CHANGED. THUS, IN KEEPING WITH CHANGED STATUS, POST  
BELIEVES A VISIT AT THIS TIME DESIGNED TO EXPOSE HIM TO HIS  
SPECIFIC AREAS OF INTEREST AGAINST BICENTENNIAL BACKDROP WOULD BE  
OF MUTUTAL BENEFIT.

OBJECTIVE OF US VISIT: IN ADDITIONAO TO MULTI-REGIONAL  
LIBRARIAN PROGRAM, MR. BANJO WOULD  
LIKE EXPOSURE TO INFORMATION RETRIEVAL SYSTEMS AND VISIT SUCH  
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SPECIALIZED LIBRARIES AS THE ONE AT THE UN, THE CARNEGIE  
ENDOWMENT LIBRARY AND THE COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS. HAVING  
SPENT SIX MONTHS AT NORTHWESTERN, HE SHOULD BE GIVEN  
OPPORTUNITY RENEW CONTACTS THERE AND IN OTHER PARTS OF COUNTRY.  
FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE GIVEN IN PART II NOMINATION.

AVAILABILITY FOR US VISIT : EARLY APRIL, 1976

3. ALTERNATE : MR. J.O. FADERO  
DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES  
FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
LAGOS

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